Plot' Arrests

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lay Shaw, a New Orleans civic leader and former Army major, was booked today on a "conspiracy" charge in the Kennedy assassination and District Attorney Jim Garrison promised "more arrests—a considerable number of them."

Garrison, the 6-foot-6 prosecutor whose five-month investigation has stirred new controversy over the Dallas tragedy, shocked New Orleans by accusing the 54-year-old Shaw of "participation in a conspiracy to murder Kennedy.

The silver-haired business leader was then released on \$10,000 bond.

Shaw's name does not appear in the Warren Commission report on the assassination. name of Clay Bertrand did appear porminently in the report.

In Washington, the Justice Dept. and the FBI declined comment on Shaw's arrest. Dallas police said they knew nothing about it.

"Clay Bertrand" was scribed in the Warren Report as a man who had tried to get a New Orleans lawyer to go to Dallas and defend Lce Harvey Oswald the day after ple as far as I'm concerned. assassination-before Oswald was shot.

The lawyer, Dean Andrews, told commission counsel Wesley Liebeler that on that Sunday he had contacted a wellknown criminal lawyer, Sam (Monk) Zelden, about taking Oswald's case.

But while he was talking to Zelden, Andrews testified, the news came that Jack Ruby had Oswald, "Don't worry about it," he quoted Zelden as saying. "Your client's just been

Garrison made no reference to the "Bertrand" testimony in announcing Shaw's arrest.

Garrison also is known to have questioned Andrews, now an assistant district attorney in neighboring Jefferson Parish.

Andrews, contacted by the New York Post after Shaw's



Associated Press Wirephoto CLAY SHAW Under arrest.

and I don't know if he isn't. I couldn't say for sure. I don't know. They're two separate peo-

Shaw was released on \$10,000 bond after his arrest. His luxurious French Quarter home was searched for nearly three hours by Garrison's detectives, who seized five cardboard boxes filled with various items, including books and a rifle in a canas case.

The silver-haired Shaw a rugredly handsome man who was lecorated by the U.S., French and Belgian governments after his World War II service in Europe, retired in 1965 after 18 years as managing director of the New Orleans International Trade Mart.

He lives in a remodeled carriage house on an old estate in New Orleans' Vieux Carre section and is described by one neighbor as a "quiet, interesting, intelligent person."

A close friend said Shaw's ar-rest was "incredible." He said rrest, was asked whether he rest was "incredible." He said hinks "Bertrand" and Shaw are he had visited Shaw several the same man—whether Shaw months ago and that when the sectually is "Bertrand." subejet of the assassination subejct of the assassination "Not in my book they ain't," came up Shaw had expressed said. "I don't know if he is "atonihment and horror" over it.

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